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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Harrington, et al.

Application No.: 09/276,820

Filed: March 26, 1999

For: **COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS** 

FOR NON-TARGETED ACTIVATION

OF ENDOGENOUS GENES

Group Art Unit: 1632

Examiner: Shukla, R.

Attorney Docket No.: 0221-0003

Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Office Action be extended three months from January 17, 2001 to April 17, 2001 by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17) is believed to be \$445.00 for a three-month extension of time for a small entity. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, other than those provided herewith, are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the petition fee of \$445.00 and any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0622. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

**SHANKS & HERBERT** 

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